

newsline**extra**

A Missouri State Library news service

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Newsline Extra features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

State payments to libraries combine equalization and A&E

Libraries in Missouri that qualify for equalization funds from the state have now received those funds via electronic funds transfer. Libraries should be aware that the EFT payment also included each library's portion of the athletes and entertainers tax funding. Each library received an award letter from State Librarian Sara Parker detailing the specific amounts for each funding category, but the amounts can be verified by contacting Michaela Hansen at 800-325-0131, ext. 11, or michaela.hansen@sos.mo.gov.

Summer reading incentives order deadline coming soon

The first order deadline for summer reading program merchandise from the CSLP/Highsmith catalog is November 21, 2006. Libraries wishing to receive their summer library program posters, bookmarks, incentives, and other merchandise by March 1 must place their orders by this deadline.

Catalogs and vouchers were mailed with the summer reading program manuals during the first week of November. If you have any questions about the summer reading program or the merchandise voucher, please contact Nancee Dahms-Stinson at 800-325-0131, ext. 5, or nancee.dahms-stinson@sos.mo.gov.

Laura Ingalls Wilder exhibit ready to travel

Missouri museums and libraries can bring the travels of Laura Ingalls Wilder and the journey of westward expansion to their patrons with a one-of-a-kind free standing exhibit created by the staff of the Springfield-Greene County Library District. The 16-panel display titled "Laura Ingalls Wilder: The Journey of a Pioneer Family" contains historical information, period photos, paintings, and quotes from the author herself.

The display was created as part of the library district's "Everything's Wilder in March at the Library," a month-long celebration of the life and works of one of America's most beloved writers. Each of the exhibit's 16 panels narrates the Ingalls family's journey from the "big woods of Wisconsin" to De Smet, South Dakota, while providing an overview of pioneer expansion to the West.

The exhibit, consisting of a Nimlock display system and 16 textured laminate panels, is available for booking periods of four weeks. Although the exhibit can be loaned at no cost, the borrower is responsible for insurance, shipping and handling expenses to the display's next scheduled venue.

For information and reservations, contact Gail Gourley, meeting room coordinator for the Springfield-Greene County Library District, at (417) 874-8110, ext. 170, or gailg@mail.sgcl.org.

Grants available for after school youth programming

The President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Humanities, recently announced the 2006 application round for the Coming Up Taller Awards.

Each year the Coming Up Taller Awards recognize and reward outstanding after school and out-of-school arts and humanities programs for underserved children and youth. Award recipients receive \$10,000 each, an individualized plaque, and an invitation to attend the annual Coming Up Taller Leadership Enhancement Conference. Programs initiated by museums, libraries, performing arts organizations, universities, colleges, arts centers, community service organizations, schools, businesses, and eligible government entities are encouraged to participate. For guidelines and applications, visit www.cominguptaller.org/.

Free copies of AARP thesaurus available

Free print copies of AARP's *Thesaurus of Aging Terminology* are available for a limited time by e-mailing the AgeLine Help Desk at ageline@aarp.org. The thesaurus is the definitive taxonomy for the field of aging and social gerontology. It offers 2,000 subject terms and numerous term definitions. Requests for the thesaurus can be made through the end of 2005.

\$50,000 will support at-risk teen outreach programs

The American Library Association (ALA) received an Oprah's Angel Network Book Club Award for \$50,000 to support new outreach programs through the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA). The award was announced on the October 26, 2005 episode of "The Oprah Winfrey Show."

YALSA plans to implement a national book club program to reach at-risk teens. Libraries that agree to conduct outreach programs by partnering with alternative high schools or juvenile detention centers will be eligible to apply. The funds will go toward providing books and instructional resources to the selected libraries.

Those libraries that meet the application criteria will receive book sets on a first come first served basis. Libraries must implement a book discussion program for teens based on three theme-related titles. YALSA will also create an online toolkit to support the program, including sample discussion questions, recommended titles for further reading, downloadable bookmark art, and other resources.

Application information will be available online beginning January 25, 2006. Visit the ALA Public Programs Office Web page, www.ala.org/publicprograms, for additional information.

Grant supports technology in school libraries

Applications for the 2006 EDS technology grant are now available. The \$1,500 grants encourage teachers and school library media specialists to use creative applications of technology to enrich student learning. Grants must be used to purchase technology, training, and services that are not provided to the teacher or librarian by the school district. Additional information is available at www.eds.com/about/community/grants/o6program.aspx.

Nominate your library for new coffee table book

Berkshire Publishing Group is looking for libraries that are “cherished centers of their communities.” They will publish a coffee table book, *Heart of the Community: The Libraries We Love*, featuring 75 libraries that are “geographically representative of the United States and Canada and also representative of urban/suburban/rural libraries.”

Berkshire will accept nominations for libraries through December 15, 2005. The nomination process, sample pages, and selection criteria can be reviewed at www.librarieswelove.org/.

National Book Foundation offers tips for scheduling authors

The National Book Foundation and the American Library Association (ALA) have teamed up to bring librarians up-to-the-minute information on the National Book Awards. The awards ceremony will take place this evening, November 16, when the Foundation will bestow the National Book Awards for fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and young people’s literature. A special page on the Foundation’s Web site, www.nationalbook.org/nba2005_alalist.html, will soon provide librarians with information on how to invite National Book Award Finalists to their libraries.

For librarians with face-out shelving of this year’s National Book Award finalists, “shelf-talker” labels are also available by contacting Sherrie Young at (212) 685-0261 or syoung@nationalbook.org.

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